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Congressman Moran to Speak at Civil War Trails Sign Dedication

Saturday, May 18

Congressman Jim Moran will help dedicate Civil War Trails signs at this Saturday's City of Falls Church Civil War Day. The ceremony will start at 10 a.m. in front of Cherry Hill Farmhouse (312 Park Ave.).

Following the ceremony, attendees can take a free bus tours at 10:30 and 1:30 that will take them to each marker in the City. These signs are a part of the Civil War Trails program which covers six states and commemorates events of the American Civil War. Each marker with text and photos describes an event that took place on the site.

The City's Civil War Day is a living-history event depicting the Falls Church home front during the Civil War. This free event will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Cherry Hill Park and Farmhouse.

This year's theme is the Home Front. In addition to the Civil War Trails dedication, presentations with Civil War soldier and civilian reenactments will show how the area coped with the war at their doorstep. Other events and activities include soldier firing and drilling exercises, live music, a children's activities tent, house tours, and more. A special Emancipation Proclamation presentation will take place at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Box lunches consisting of chicken, coleslaw, corn bread, ginger cake and lemonade will be available for \$8.00 each. Advanced lunch tickets for \$7.00 are recommended and can be purchased at the Community Center (223 Little Falls St.) by May 17.

For more information, call 703-248-5171 (TTY 711). This event is sponsored by the Recreation & Parks Department, the Victorian Society at Falls Church, and the Falls Church Historical Commission. The City of Falls Church is committed to the letter and spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act. To request a reasonable accommodation for any type of disability, call 703-248-5077 (TTY 711).